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For: DRIED POROUS CRUMBS OF  
HYDROGENATED BLOCK COPOLYMER

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 14, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.